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Begin: J'lem is Palestine's capital OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, May 14 (R) -- Israeli Prime Minis-

ter Menachem Begin agreed today with Muslim declarations that Jerusalem is the capital of Palestine-but Palestine, he added, is Israel, Islamic foreign ministers, meeting in Morocco last week, passed a resolution contesting Israel's claim to the holy city and declaring that Jerusalem is the capital of Palestine. Addressing visiting members of B'nai Brith, a Jewish fraternal organisation from the United States, Canada and Latin America, Mr. Begin said today; "I agree that it is the capital of Palestine. But the word Palestine is the foreign term for Erett Virae! -- the Land of Israel just as Japan is the English for what the Japanese called Nippon and Germany is the English for what the Germans call Deutschland. And just as Washington, the capital of the U.S., is indivisible, so is Jerusalem. And like Washington it should have D.C. after its name -- but not District of Columbia but David's City,"

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nb kills two Israelis, ures 32 in Tiberias

lar resort town on the Sea of Galilee.

Authorities said 32 persons were

wounded, eight of them in moderate

tioning in the town.

Police released no details of the

investigation into the blast, but the

radio reported that a number of

Arabs were rounded up for ques-

PLO sources in Beirut said the

bombing was in retaliation for a

series of Israeli attacks on Pales-

tinian concentrations in Lebanon

that followed the April 22 com-

A spokesman for the PLO high

command said a squad of the

movement's "interior forces act-

ing inside occupied Palestine

planted the heavy explosive

Monday afternoon killing and

wounding around 40 Zionists,"

the spokesman said adding that an

Israeli bus and three cars were

"completely destroyed in the

The spokesman said the group

More than 80 Palestinians and

that planted the bomb returned

Lebanese have been killed in air,

naval and artillery attacks

mounted by Israel since four

Israelis were killed in the com-

mando raid on the summer resort

The Palestinians have vowed to

step up attacks on Israel to

demonstrate their rejection of the

Israel-Egypt peace treaty and its

plan for Palestinian autonomy in

the Israeli-occupied West Bank

Israeli-Egyptian talks on aut-

onomy begin in two weeks. Pales-

tinians in the West Bank, where

opposition to the autonomy plan is

strong, have called a general strike

for Tuesday to protest the plan

and Israeli land expropriation in

Khomeini orders halt

to political executions

TEHRAN, May 14 (R)--iran's unofficial head of state, Ayarollah

Ruhollah Khomeini, today called a halt to all political executions

an internal debate on the activities of revolutionary courts which

have so far sent more than 200 former supporters and officials of the

Ayatollah Khomeini told Iran's revolutionary courts the only

A spokesman for the Tehran Prosecutor-General. Mehdi Hadavi,

Ayatollah Khomeini's decree warned that failure to comply with

They were issued shortly after the head of the Tehran revolutio-

nary tribunal, Ayatollah Sadeq Khalkhali, told a press conference

that the Shah, his close family and aides had already been sentenced

He said anyone who tried to assassinate the Shah anywhere in the

Ayatollah Khalkhali was not available today to comment on his

part in NATO's defence planning committee

European defence ministers today also

Britain, Italy, Norway and West Germany are

interested in a co-production, work-sharing

arrangement with the U.S. for the short-range

air-to-air "sidewinder" missile, the sources said.

repairing battle-damaged aircraft during a war.

by Britain for the training of foreign military per-

They also discussed projects for cooperation in

Ministers also raised the question of fees levied

London is under pressure to relax its new rule of

British sources said 8,000 military students

The Eurogroup ministers were also discussing

Tomorrow's full meeting of NATO defence

ministers will begin with an intelligence briefing

on the build-up of Communist Warsaw Pact forces

the problem of military assistance to Porgugal and

Turkey during their restricted session.

asking for advance payment and has agreed to

relax the rule for NATO countries. Mr. Pym

from 90 countries, 600 of them from NATO coun-

promised to study the problem further.

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and weapons.

reviewed cooperation in logistics, arms equip-

ment, long term planning and battlefield com-

meeting, tomorrow and Wednesday.

defendants who should be subject to the death sentence were those

proved guilty of murder, the ordering of massacres, or torture which

said court officials were today discussing the implications of the new

A decree from the Ayatollah's headquarters was the latest move in

except those of convicted murderers and torturers.

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NATO defence ministers study

SALT II effects on Europe

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The blast was heard throughout the town of 25,000, and the radio said that doctors in the area were

treat the wounded. The resort town, which draws Israelis and foreign tourists to its seaside attractions and mineral hot springs, was crowded on the eve of Lag B'Omer, a Jewish holiday marked by bonfires and festivities throughout the country.

rushed to the Tiberias hospital to

About 3,000 Jewish and Arab elementary school students from northern Israel attending a convention near the blast site were sent home.

Birzeit ss conference

y 14 (Agencies)-Israeli authorities today banned a e organised by students from a university in the - Bank of Jordan that was closed two weeks ago foleli demonstrations.

Brazilia State State State of the Sirzeit State of the Birzeit Ramallah and prevented students and newsmen

> an students jailed last week on charges of paranti-Israel riot were deported to the United States

/. Leah Tsemel, said yesterday that Michael and Carl not to appeal their expulsion to Israel's Supreme - -re flown to New York Monday morning.

ild identical twins are students at Birzeit University, er Wayne is head librarian. They were arrested last Israeli authorities said they took part in a stonestration by Arab youths on May 2 at Birzeit, 24 of occupied Jerusalem. The West Bank university, irges is a hotbed of Palestinian nationalism, was 1ay 2 incident. The Derricks denied the charges, but acknowledged he took part in a vigil outside Israel's sent headquarters the following day and became affle with Israeli soldiers.

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But damage from the storm was much greater than in November 1977, when a cyclone hit the same area with an official death toll of more than 10,000, he said.

BRUSSELS, May 14 (R)--Defence ministers from European NATO Countries today studied

the issues raised for Europe by the American-

Soviet agreement on strategic arms limitation

stressing at a Eurogroup meeting the improtance

the Conservative government attached to coop-

eration in the European context, the sources said.

European nations except France and Iceland -

were also discussing the need to modernise their

nuclear arsenal to counter the increased Soviet

capacity in arms capable of hitting any target in

The problem is to determine whether there is

general recognition in Western Europe of a need

to modernise, and if so how this can best be done.

West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and

British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher

exchanged ideas and suggestions on this in Logic.

West Germany and Britain will play a leading

part in the debate and bilateral discussions bet-

ween Mr. Pym and West German Defence Minis-

ter Hans Apel are expected in the next few weeks,

Defence Secretary Harold Brown, who is taking

Mr. Pym will have separate talks with U.S.

The Eurogroup ministers - all the NATO

(SALT II), western alliance sources said. Francis Pym, Britain's newly appointed Defence Secretary, made his NATO debut by

Assad pledges continued

DAMASCUS, May 14 (Agencies)--The presidents of Lebanon and Syria today discussed plans for halting the chronic violence in Lebanon as fresh fighting erupted between rival gunmen in Beirut.

Palestinian commandos and right-wing militiamen fought among themselves in separate incidents as Lebanese President Elias Sarkis Palestinien sources said two men were killed in a clash between

Fatah, the biggest commando group, and the Marxist Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP) in the west side of Beirut. A right-wing military spokesman said at least seven people were wounded in fighting between Falangist and National Liberal Party

Residents of a mountain village east of Beirut reported that other right-wing Guardians of the Cedars.

The violence erupted as the mainly Christian east side of Beirut observed a general strike in protest against the attempted assassination yesterday of Falangist leader Amin Gemayel, son of the party

commander of Israeli-backed militias threatened to attack local villagers unless they join his self-proclaimed state of "Free Lebanon." Mr. Sarkis and Mr. Assad last met in October, at the height of a

The two leaders' agenda has not been disclosed officially, but usually well-informed Lebanese newspapers have said it would include a plan for partially replacing a big Syrian security force in Lebanon

President Assad tonight pledged continuing support to help Lebanon overcome its problems.

Lebanon will remain firm," he told reporters.
"It may be summed up in beiping to stop the civil war, safeguard

the Lebanese state and assisting the legal authorities... Mr. Assad called on the Lebanese to rally round the government

Rightist gunners in the central sector of South Lebanon shelled an area near Tyre for 15 minutes this evening, official sources said.

Israeli planes were also seen flying low over the central sector. The Palestine News Agency (WAFA) reported sporadic Israeli and rightist shelling of the Ayshiyeh district, north-east of Nabatiyeh. It

WAFA also reported Israeli warplane flights over the area and

support to help Lebanon

arrived in Damascus to meet Syrian leader Hafez Al Assad.

(NLP) militias in a Christian suburb of the city.

NLP units were involved in a clash with members of the radical

chief, Mr. Pierre Gemayel. Tension remained high in the south of the country, where the

savage battle between troops of the Arab Deterrent Force (ADF) and rightist militiamen in Christian districts of Beirut.

with units of the Lebanese army.

"The objective set by Syria for itself since the start of the civil war in

and said the Damascus talks stemmed from the joint realisation that the interests of Syria and Lebanon were linked.

They added that there were no reports of casualties in the area. which lies between Bayyada and Rashidiyeb refugee camp.

did not refer to casualties or damage.

Israeli naval boats cruising off Rashidiyeh, Tyre and nearby Ras Al

Thatcher to outline legislative time-table

LONDON, May 14 (R)--Eleven days after taking power, Britain's first woman prime minister, Mrs. Margaret Thatcher, will tomorrow set out her parliamentary prog-

Her legislative time-table, contained in the traditional Queen's speech at the state opening of parliament, will reveal how quickly she proposes to tackle the inflammatory issue of trade union

It will also same the date--expected to be June 12 -for the annual budget statement when the Conservative government will unveil the fiscal and economic measures at the heart of its policies and right-wing philosophy.

The speech, to be read by Oueen Elizabeth from her throne in the House of Lords, will outline the laws Mrs. Thatcher hopes to enact between now and November, 1980.

Mrs. Thatcher, the victor in this month's general election, has been quick to keep some of her campaign pledges. The police and armed forces have received big pay rises and a top businessman has been appointed to investigate excessive bureaucratic expen-

Britons will have to wait until the budget for more details of Mrs. Thatcher's main campaign pledge to cut income taxes and government expenditure.

Kabul severs ties with Egypt MOSCOW, May 14 (R)-The

Afghanistan government has severed political relations with Egypt in protest at the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty, the official tries, come to Britain each year, at an annual costnews agency Tass reported today. 2 1 Reporting from Kabul, the agency quoted an Afghanistan government statement as saying President Anwar Sadat's separate deal with Israel ran counter to the interests of the Egyptian people, the Palestinian and other Arab

Wide ranging sanctions against Egypt

Arab arms-making industry dissolved

RIYADH, May 14 (Agencies) -- An Arab arms-making consortium involving western firms is to be dis-

The Arab Organisation for Industrialisation (AOI), set up in August 1975 with a capital of \$1.4 billion to produce military equipment, linked Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Egypt.

British, French, West German and American firms were involved in its projects.

Prince Sultan Ibn Abdul Aziz of Saudi Arabia, who announed the move, linked it to the signing of the peace treaty, the agency said.

Prince Sultan, the chairman of the AOI's higher executive committee, expressed deep regrets for taking the step, the agency added. A committee would undertake

the liquidation of the AOI's assets, Prince Sultan said. The consortium would be legally dissolved on July 1.

The committee, which would include Saudi, Egyptian, Oatari and UAE representatives, would begin work immediately at the AOI's headquarters in Paris. Prince Sultan said.

The statement did not specifically mention the peace treaty, but said "Egypt's unilateral step in granting Israel legal and political recognition was, in the view of the leaders of the three participant countries (Saudi Arabia, Qatar and UAE), in conflict with the reasons and objectives of setting up the Arab Organisation for Industrilisation."

The organisation had earlier announced the suspension of all its projects, but press reports said that work was still going on to produce anti-tank missiles and Lynx helicopters.

Egypt contributed a quarter of AOI's capital in the form of existing factories in Egypt.

The AOI factories employed 15,000 workers and in its first year of operations in 1977 the company made a profit of \$44 million for an undisclosed volume of sales.

Buyers of its military equipment included such countries as Iraq. Iran, Pakistan and Somalia.

There was no immediate indication whether AOI would be able to continue in operation after the withdrawal of three out of the four members of the consortium. Another reprisal act, the Arab Aviation Council has decided to

close Arab airspace to Egyptair, Egypt's national uirline. In a decision taken two days ago at a special meeting, the council

also decided to suspend Arab airline flights to Egypt, a communique said. The council decided to transfer its permanent headquarters from

Cairo to Morocco, the com-

Agency reported today. munique added. It said that any other Egyptian aircraft company "which is proved

to have links with Israel" would also be hoycotted. Egypt and Israel have agreed to discuss opening direct air Firks, Since an Egyptian aircraft brought President Anwar Sadat to Israet on his 1977 visit to Israel, cirtiages of the two states have flown to each other's airports several times. carrying digmaries on missions

connected to the peace process. In another development, the Arab Postai Union (APU) has decided to seek the Arab League's opinion about cutting postal links with Egypt to protest against Egypt's peace treaty with Israel, according to a statement in Dona

The statement was issued at the end of the annual conference of the APU Executive Council. which had earlier also decided to suspend Egypt from its meetings and to shift APU headquarters from Cairo to Tunis temporarily. Egypt did not attend the Doha meeting.

The statement also said that APU permanent staff in Cairo lomatic ties with Egypt.

were asked to report for work at the funis headquarters by July 1. The APU is affiliated to the Arab League and is concerned

solved because of Egypt's peace treaty

with israel, the official Saudi Press

with postal services only. Saudi Arabia also banned Egyption newspapers and magazines, Radio Riyadh reported last night. The radio said the ban order

was issued by Information Minister Mohammad Abdo Yamani. The action followed a similar move by Jordan. Other Arab states were expected to follow Jordan and

Saudi Arabia, whose actions conformed with Arab sunctions rgainst Egypt for signing a peace treaty with Israel. The ban is a blow to publishing houses in Egypt which earn fore-

ign exchange through newspaper and magazine sales to nearly 750,000 Egyptians working elsewhere in the Arab World, There are about 250,000 Egyptian employed in Saudi Arabia.

The sanctions were decided by the Baghdad conference of Arab foreign and economy ministers in March and most Arab countries have severed political and dip-

Ibrahim reports 'positive

talks with Soviet leaders

AMMAN, May 14 (JNA)-Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hassan Ibrahim returned here today following a three-day visit to the Soviet Union during which he held talks with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrie Gromyko and other Soviet leaders on Middle East latest

developments. In a statement to the Jordan News Agency (JNA), Mr. Ibrahim said his visit came in response to instructions from his Majesty King Hussein to exchange views with Soviet leaders on the latest developments in the Middle East situation and the efforts exerted to achieve a

just and comprehensive settlement in the area. He said he held "lengthy discussions with Mr. Gromyko during which we reviewed all the details relating to the Middle East issue and the fundamental ingredients of a comprehensive settlement is, which all parties concerned must take part."

Mr. Ibrahim also pointed our that the discussions with the Soviet leaders were positive -- not only in the field of the achievement of peace in the area but also in the field of strengthening and developing the Jordanian-Soviet relations.

Mr. Ibrahim said: "The attitude of the Soviet Union regarding the Middle East issue is based on the need for action to achieve a comprehensive settlement based on complete Israeli withdrawal from all the Arab territories occupied since 1967 and the guaranteeing of the Palestinians' legitimate rights, including their right to selfdetermination and the establishment of their own state.

"This position is based on U.N. resolutions which the Soviet Union insists on implementing", Mr. Ibrahim said. Speaking on the Islamic Foreign Ministers' Conference recently

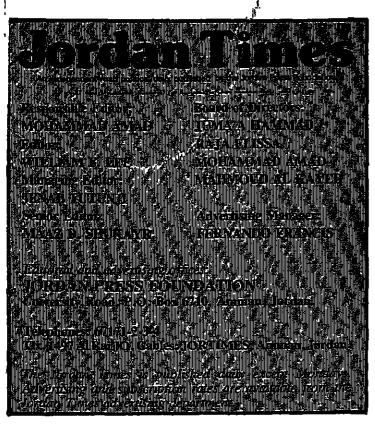
held in Morocco Mr. Ibrahim stated that Jordan's delegation to the conference had urged the conference to adopt effective resolutions to protect the holy shrines against Judaisation attempts. He also stated that the fordanian delegation submitted two work

ing papers. One dealt with the transfer of foreign embassies from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, while the other dealt with the issue of Israeli settlements in the occupied territories.



AMMAN, May 14 (JNA) -- His Majesty King Hussein received at the Hashimiya Palace today Iraqi Housing Minister Taha Yassin Ramadan, who delivered to His Majesty a message from Iraqi President Ahmad Hassan Al Bakr, dealing with the Arab situation in the light of recent developments.

in the area and bilateral relations between the two countries. Mr. Ramadan (centre) left Amman in the afternoon, and was seen off at the airport by Court Minister Amer Khammash (left) and the Iraqi Ambassador in Amman.



Making it bite

REAL MUSCLE is beginning to be put into the concerted Arab effort to demonstrate in no uncertain terms the alarm and disfavour with which the rest of the Arab World regards Egypt's separate peace with Israel.

The latest spate of measures, from the dissolution of the four-nation industrialisation consortium set up to manufacture all-Arab arms in Egypt, to the banning of Egyptian publications and films, are beginning to hit Egypt where it hurts, by boycotting enterprises from which Egypt was earning substantial amounts of money. Even more dramatic would be the contemplated closure of Arab airspace to Egyptian civil aircraft, the proposed suspension of Arab commercial flights to Cairo, and the cutting of telecommunications and postal links with Egypt.

No one pretends that these measures are taken eagerly, or that they are envisaged as a permanent response to Egypt's momentary self-isolation. Nor is there any question that the Arab states, in taking these difficult steps, are going out of their way to see that individual Egyptians, both those inside Egypt or those living and working in the Arab World, are not personally hurt.

But if the Arab boycott of Egypt is to produce the desired result--which is to drive home to President Sadat that he has done a grave disservice to the Arab struggle for a just and comprehensive peace in the Middle East, in hopes that he will abandon his reckless course before it's too late--then the sanctions must be made to bite. Because the measures are so drastic, and cannot be said to be beneficial to the boycotting parties, it is clear that the Arabs are keeping alive their hope and determination that Egypt should be persuaded to alter its ways.

The dissolution of the Arab Organisation for Industrialisation is ironic: at the very time when the Arabs are striving to build up their indigenous strength and to cut their reliance on external guarantors of their security, Egypt's treaty with aggressive Zionism has forced the abandonment of what would potentially have been one of. the greatest sources of that self-strength. It is a sad reminder of the extent to which President Sadat has betrayed Arab trust, and the special place that Egypt occupied in the Arab World--which led to the AOI being situated in Egypt in the first place.

There is little doubt that Egypt will survive to occupy that piace once again. Certainly, Israel's increasingly aggressive and arrogant flouting of the Camp David accords can only be hastening the moment when Egypt will find that it cannot live with what President Sadat has done. Until that time, however, and to speed that moment, appropriate sanctions must regretfully be applied and must be made to

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

UNDER THE TITLE "The Damascus summit and the destiny of Lebanon", the Monday AL RA'I editorial says that the attempt on the life of Lebanese right-wing leader Amin Gemayel was made to frustrate President Sarkis's visit to Damascus for a summit conference with Syrian President Hafez Al Assad. While not accusing anyone of the assassination attempt, the

paper states that the act was designed to destroy security in Lebanon and deepen the differences among the conflicting Lebanese parties, with the ultimate purpose of isolating and containing the Syrian forces.

Despite the abortive attempt; the paper continues, the summit will go ahead as scheduled with Syria more determined than ever to support legitimate Lebanese authority.

Should this summit fail, the paper adds, Lebanon will besubdivided into cantons controlled by Israel. "We hope that the Damascus summit will be the beginning of rebuilding the Lebanese homeland on new foundations and spreading the seeds of goodwill, strength and love to Lebanon and the entire Arab nation," the paper concludes.

AL DUSTOUR lashes out at President Sadat for quoting

Koranic verses to justify his making peace with Israel, and says that apparently it was not enough for Sadat to "defile the reputation of Egypt" by concluding a separate treaty with Israel in that he has now embarked on an attempt to distort Islam and pervert

By quoting a verse calling on Muslims to make peace, the paper says Sadat is trying to mislead his audience into believing that Islam endorses his peace with Israel which, the paper says, still occupies the holy land, and tortures its population.

Islam, the paper says, does not call on Muslims to accept a humiliating peace with the enemy as Sadat and his worldly Al Azhar sheikhs think. Islam, the paper continues, urges Muslims to fight its enemies until they lay down arms and restore the rights they have taken from the people they oppress.

Calling on Sadat to stop his sheikhs from interferring in politics, the paper expresses the concern that Sadat's belief in peace might lead him to disbelieve in the Koran itself, as it contains many verses which do not approve of his normalisation of relations with Israel.

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Jordan loans \$1.3 m. to Jerusalem Electricity Co.

BETHLEHEM, May 14 (AFP)--Mayor of Bethlehem and acting boardchairman of the Jerusalem Electricity Company Mr. Elias Freij today announced that the Jordanian government has offered the company a \$1.3 million loan to help it repay its

Returning from Amman, where he spent 11 days, Mr. Freij stated that the company's debts total \$2 million. The company's board is scheduled to hold a meeting today to discuss its financial position, Mr. Freij said.

Iraqi trade delegation inspects Aqaba port

AQABA, May 14 (JNA) - A visiting Iraqi trade delegation met here yesterday with the Director General of the Maritime Corporation, Mr. Ahmad Abu Nuwwar to discuss matters connected with Iraq's import of goods via the Aqaba port. The delegation, which arrived here yesterday, was also taken on a tour of the port area to inspect facilities there.

The delegation will go to Amman tomorrow for talks with officials at the Ministry of Supply on the possibility of granting Iraq storage facilities for its imported grain at silos being built in Aqaba. The silo complex, expected to be completed by the end of this year will have a capacity of 50,000



King stresses importance NCC adopts of Islamic solidarity

AMMAN. May 14 (INA) - His majesty King Hussein said here today that Islamic solidarity was legitimate right of all peoples. The one of the main sources of strength on which the Arabs are counting to restore their usurped

Inaugurating the seminar of Islamic preachers and spiritual guides at the Professional Association Complex, the King said: 'Our unified stand as one loving and tight-knit family, and adherence to our Islamic faith and our Arab Islamic heritage are foremost among the elements of the strength which we are trying to forge in order to restore our usurped territories."

Stressing the Arabs' special concern with Jersusalem, and their adherence to every single Palestinian people are no exception: they have the right to determine their own future in their homeland and on their soil.

The King also said that Jordan is discharging its duties in the light of its belief in the Arab nation and Islam. Jordan will always remain strong, and will never accept to be a weak link in the Arab nation.

He added that Arabism and Islam are faced with several challenges. Zionism is one of these, the King said, but he added that materialistic philosophies are a threat to "our aspirations and our rights to build our future on the sound foundations we inherited."

Transport conference ends

By Sara O'Neil Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, May 14--The threeday international transport conterence ended here this afternoon with a list of recommendations read out by Ali Suheimat, Minister of Transport.

Mr. Suheimat, in the closing address, listed the following measures which the conference thought should be applied if progress is to be made in the field of transportation in the Arab World:

-- The success of plans to increase transportation efficiency depends on financial support from overnments in the region and international organisations.

-- Cooperation among Arab states at the governmental level is essential for success of transport policies which can be enhanced through the development of regional planning. It is also to the mutual benefit of operators from both within the Arab World and abroad to work together.

--Arab governments should be prepared to help finance the Palace of Culture to the con-

open during regular hours.

to provide qualified local personnel and thus gradualy reduce dependence on foreign expertise. Employers should also contribute in some way to the financing of

training projects. -Transport operators should be given as much freedom as possible to develop their businesses efficiently and to introduce new methods.

-Finally, it is to be hoped that the good work of the conference continues and that further transport conferences and seminars will be arranged in the near future.

The conference, which attracted a variety of experts in the major fields of transportation, has suffered severely, the Jordan Times learned from the organisers, from the outcome of recent upheavals in the area (namely the revolution in Iran and the signing of the Egyptian-Israeli peace tre-

The number of participants was greatly reduced thus causing the venue to be changed from the

WHAT'S GOING ON

Art Exhibit

The Dept. of Culture and Arts presents an exhibition of paintings

by Zaki Shaqfeh and Yasser Dwaik at the Art Gallery, Ministry of

Photo Exhibit

The French Cultural Centre presents an exhibit of photos on

Painting Exhibit

The Goethe Institute presents a water colour illustration exhibit

by Jan Cejka entitled "Wild Flowers of Jordan." The exhibit is

American Films

The American Centre presents two films starting at 5:30 and 7:00 p.m. The first is "Golden Age of Comedy" and the second is "12 o'clock High." Free entry tickets should be picked up in advance.

Art Exhibit

The British Council presents an exhibition of paintings and

sculpture by Aziz Amoura and Quram Nimri. The exhibit is open

from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Culture and Youth. The exhibit ends today.

Provence, which is open during regular hours.

establishment of training centres _ference hall of the Chamber of

Worse still, the content of the programme had to be drastically altered at very short notice, which resulted in a fair amount of disappointment being expressed all round, in particular from those participants who had come from as far away as California and Toronto and who had hoped for greater opportunity for debate and less concentration on theoret-

According to the original programme, the conference was to have been organised in three disthe first day concentrating on the major transportation problems facing the area, the second day being divided into three workshops running simultaneously on planning, finance and technology and human resources and the final day bringing everyone together to discuss the solutions put forward.

Due to the reduction in papers presented, there were no workshops and a juxtaposition of papers on problems and solutions resulted in a certain lack of cohesion in the theme chosen: Efficient Transport in the Arab States--The Key to Progress During the Next Decade.

In spite of the conference's short comings the general opinion seemed to be that given the high standard of professionalism on the part of the speakers and the lack of opportunities in this area to meet fellow specialists from other countries, the future for such conferences nevertheless looks

U.N. committee on settlement due on May 20

AMMAN, May 14 (JNA) - The three-nation committee formed by the United Nations Security Council to investigate Israeli settlement policies in occupied Arab territories is due here on May 20.

The committee will also be visauthorities have refused to cooperate with it and allow it to visit the occupied territories in order to study the situation there first hand.

The formation of the committee came at the end of a Security Council session on March 22 which convened upon Jordan's request to study Israel's policy of establishing settlements of occupied Arab land.

The committee is composed of three U.N. delegates from Zambia, Portugal and Bolivia who will be accompanied by a number of aides on their tour of the region.

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AMMAN, May 14 (JNA)--The National Consultative Council (NCC) referred to the government today a motion by council members Suleiman Irtemeb suggesting that the government reconsider its decision to prohibit merchants opening their stores before 9 o'clock in the morning.

The council endorsed a 1979 draft bill defining the role and activities of commercial middlemen and commercial agents. It also approved a military housing fund for 1979.

Prime Minister Mudar Badran said at today's session that the military housing fund aims at encouraging army personnel to build their own homes in rural areas and villages which helps check migration from rural to urban areas. The session was also attended by cabinet members.

Mohammad Dabbas:

U.S. aid continues despite cool relations

Finance Minister Mohammad Dabbas said here yesterday that iting Cairo, Beirut and Damascus the United States is continuing its but not Israel where the economic and technical aid to Jordan despite lukewarm relations between them due to differences over means of settling the Middle East question.

In an interview with the Kuwaiti newspaper Al Watan, Mr. Dabbas said that despite Jordan's rejection of the Camp David agreements, it has left the door open for a dialogue over the subject with all countries, including the United States. But, he added the United States does not appreciate the truth about the issue and is working against its own interests in the region. U.S. aid to Jordan is continuing and there is no indication that it will stop or that the U.S. is

reconsidering it, Mr. Dabbas said. On Arab aid to Jordan he said that Arab states which took part in the Baghdad summit meeting last November had made commitments to help Jordan and were honouring these commitments.

Mr. Dabbas appealed to the. Soviet Union to exercise its influimplementation of U.N. resolutions to safeguard the rights of the Palestinian people in their of their independent state there.

On his visit to Kuwait, Mr. Dabbas said he would hold talks on increasing Jordanian-Kuwain economic cooperation. Mr. Dabbas, who arrived here on Saturday for a five-day visit, said he would explain to Kuwaiti businessmen

KUWAIT, May 14 (JNA) - and investors the investment opportunities in Jordan, especially in tourism and industry. He added that he would invite a team of Kuwaiti businessmen to visit Jordan to study firsthand the financial opportunities in the country.

Jordan, N. Yemen sign information agreement

AMMAN, May 14 (R)-Jordan and North Yemen have signed a two-year agreement providing for close cooperation in the information field.

The agreement, signed yesterday by Minister of Information Adnan Abu Odeh and his North Yemeni counterpart Yehia Al Arashi, calls for an exchange of television and radio programmes as well as documentery films.

A Jordanian mission will soon leave for Sanaa to produce a documentary film about Yemen portraying the various aspects of agricultural and economic life and the many historic sites in that country.

Mr. Arashi left Amman last night after a two-day visit to Jordan during which he conveyed a message on bilateral relations and the latest Middle East developments from President Aly Abdullah Saleh to His Majesty King

Before coming to Amman, he visited Damascus and delivered a similar message to President Hafez Al Assad of Syria.

Cabinet ups hardship allowance by 50%

AMMAN, May 14 (JNA)--The cabinet yesterday granted an additional 50 per cent hardship allowance to employees involved in drilling artesian wells at Wadi Araba in the south of Jordan, in view of

the nature of their work. The decision came during a cabinet session yesterday during which Prime Minister Mudar Bad-

two-day tour of the region.

The cabinet also decided to form Jordan's delegation to the general assembly meetings of the Arab Tourism Union to be held in

the People's Democratic Republic of Yemen next month. The delegation to the eight-day meeting will be led by Director General of ran briefed the ministers on his Tourism Michael Hamarneh.

Coming & Going

British building delegation arrives

AMMAN, May 14 (JNA)--A delegation from the British Building Research Establishment arrived here today for a week-long visit to Jordan. During the visit the delegation will hold talks with the Building Materials Research Centre of the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) on the implementation of a bilateral agreement for conducting research on soil in Jordan and mapping geological regions in the Amman and Irbid governorates. The two sides signed the agreement earlier this year.

Education delegation leaves for London

AMMAN, May 14 (JNA)-A Jordanian educational delegation left for London yesterday for a two-week visit and talks with British officials on increasing educational cooperation between Britain and Jordan. The delegation will also look into educational sys-

posed of directors of education in Madaba.

Civil Aviation delegation off to Amsterdam

Aviation delegation left here yesterday for Amsterdam on a three-day visit to the Netherlands. Leaders of the delegation, Director General of the Civil Aviation Department Sharif Ghazi Rakan, told reporters that his talks with Dutch officials would deal with the possible amendment of a bilateral transport agreement signed between the two countries in 1961. The delegation includes representatives of Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airlines.

tems and visit a number of educational institutions in the United Iraqi Development Fund director to visit

AMMAN, May 14 (JNA) --Amman, Irbid, Ajloun and Director General of the Iraqi Development Fund Dr. Abdul Amir Al Anbari is due here tomorrow at the head of a delegation for a several-day visit to Jordan. During the visit, Dr. Al Anbari will sign an agreement for the granting of a \$15 million loan from the Iraqi fund to the Arab Potash Company. Dr. Al Anbari AMMAN, May 14 (R)--A Civil and his delegation will also tour the potash project near the south- 1 ern tip of the Dead Sea.

British surgeons leave

AMMAN, May 14 (JNA)--The 24 British surgeons who took part in a three-day medical conference here last week left for home today. During their visit, which lasted ten days, the British group met with Jordanian surgeons and toured tourist sites including the city of

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will combine with the haemoglobin to form methemoglobin which, being more stable than haemoglobin, reduces the blood's ability to carry oxygen. The illness can be spotted easily as the child's skin, especially the face hands and feet, turn blue as a result of

insufficient oxygen in the blood. Unfortunately there is insufficient data on childhood illnesses in Jordan to make an evaluation of the frequency of the occurance of cyanosis.

There is one precaution which can be taken. The illness mostly affects bottle-fed children as the nitrate content of breast milk is generally lower than that of powdered milk diluted with tap water. By using commercially bottled water instead of tap water in making the baby's milk, the problem can be avoided.

As the child grows older it develops a tolerance to higher levels of nitrates and can drink the water without adverse affects. Boiling or filtering the water

will not reduce the nitrate level as these processes do not cause the nitrates in the water to precipitate. The WHO limit for nitrates in

drinking water is 50 milligrams per litre (mg/1.). A national survey in Jordan was conducted during 1976 by Dr. Raja Gedeon, a chemical engineeer at the Natural Resources Authority, to examine the nitrate levels in most drinking water supplies, including springs and wells in urban and rural communities.

Out of 80 water sources examined, 18 had nitrate levels above the permissible limit while 39 sources were approaching it.

levels exceeding 100mg./1.--at Ain Jadour Spring in Salt, at Ras Al Ain in Amman and at Ramtha,

Recent studies show:

Samples taken from Amman's three municipal water supplies at Ras Al Ain, Ain Ghazal and Wadi Seer showed respectively 84.78 and 47 mg./1.

The presence of nitrate in the water supply is an indication of organic pollution. Nitrates are one of the principle end products of the natural decomposition cycle of human and animal waste. In rural areas, septic tanks,

cessnits, sink-holes and anhydrous ammonia used in agriculture are probably the main contributors. The high nitrate levels at Salt texceeding [10mg,/1.] seem to result from the infiltration of waste water into the main spring and wells.

Cesspools and cesspits are the main source of groundwater pollution in Amman. In 1977, there were only about 120,000 people with their residences connected to the sewage system in Amman. The remainder of the population (over 500,000 people) used septic tanks or cesspits. A large portion of this untreated waste water discharges either directly or indirectly into

the groundwater supply. With the new extension of sewage treatment facilities in Amman, it is expected that by 1981 there will be about 450,000 people with their residences connected to the system. Yet this will still only represent about half of the estimated population in 1981.

"At the moment," Dr. Gedeon estimates, "on the average. approximately 35 per cent of the total water consumed from the

cesspool waste," In 1961 this figare was 50 per cent. The reduction is attributed to the introduction of the sewage system to parts of

Amman.

Ground filtration is one of the best means of purifying water, but in Jordan, because of the rocky ground, there is no telling how well the untreated waste is getting filtered. Cracks and holes can allow the waste to flow directly into the aquifer. More studies will be needed to determine exactly how effective the soil filtration really is,

Not all minerals in the water are bad. Calcium and magnesium. both found in large amounts in Jordan's water, are good for the heart. Soft water -- low in calcium and magnesium -- has been shown to cause cardiac disorders. So Jordan is fortunate in that respect.

Two other pollutants which could pose threats to Amman's water unless action is taken soon to control their disposal are the toxic elements cadmium and lead. Although the concentrations of these in the water supply are still below the WHO limits, they are increasing in quantity.

The WHO limit for cadmium is 10 mg/1.; there is an average of about 6 mg/l, in Amman's water supplies. The limit for lead is 100 mg/1.: the average in Amman is about 33.7 mg./1.

The difference between nitrates and these metals is that cadmium is not found naturally. It only comes from industrial waste. Lead, too, is an industrial waste.

Again, the danger of high concentrations of these elements in the water supply is that it is extremely difficult to remove There is yet another form of

water pollution which should be taken into consideration: bacterial pollution.

The standard method used for bacteriological examination of water in Jordan is the multiplefermentation tube test for coliform bacteria and for escherichia coli, as recommended by the WHO. Certain coliform bacteria are normally shed in great numhers in the faeces of warm blooded animals. Bucteriological examination of drinking water is therefore based on determining the presence of coliform bacteria as indicators of faecal contamination.

A drinking water sample is considered safe when the count of coliform bacteria present in 100 ml. of water is zero.

Sanitary surveys are usually conducted on most of the existing urban and rural water supplies in Jordan, under the supervision of the Ministry of Health and other

Tests on the groundwater table in the Amman-Zaroa area indicate that 43.5 per cent of the wells tested are polluted by the coliform group. In 1976 the Ministry of Health examined 1,300 chlorinated and nonchlorinated samples from water sources throughout the country. Seventy-two per cent of the samples from rural sources had coliform counts at levels considered unsafe.

Of the Amman municipal water sources 2.3 per cent were unsafe; of private sources in Amman 2 per cent were unsafe while 19.3 per cent of municipal sources other than Amman were unsafe.

The better quality noticed in the Amman area is most likely the result of chlorination, which disinfects the water.

During the period from 1972 to 1976, the quality of the drinking water in all regions of Jordan improved with regard to bacteriological pollution. However, in most municipalities, more than ten per cent of the samples of potable water showed evidence of bacteriological contamination.

A precaution against bacteria polluted water, which people can take in their homes, is to purify it through boiling. The Amman Municipality is considering the possibilities of using ozone or ultraviolet treatment to destroy bacterial collution. But chlorination is the only treatment in use at the moment because it is the

cheapest and most widely used. The greatest danger from polluted water is that it is the major medium for the transmission of intestinal and diarrhoeal diseases,

such as cholera and typhoid. One study by Dr. Asem Shehabi microbiologist at the University of Jordan, showed that an outbreak of acute diarrhoeal disease and typhoid fever which occured in Salt in 1976, and which affected an estimated 3,000 people, resulted from the consumption of contaminated water. The improper disposal of human wastes in Salt was suspected to be the cause of the contamination.

Another investigation indicated that septic tanks which carried faccal materials were the cause of the many cholera cases in the capital in 1976.

According to Dr. Shehabi. intestinal infection could be considered the most common infectious disease in Jordan. It is especially wide spread among children.

The problem of water pollution in Amman has been a major concern to everyone dealing with water, especially the government. There are at least six agencies and consultants studying the situation. Solutions, however, are not easy

The biggest handicap for the Amman Municipality has been the unprecedented growth of the city and the fact that about 65 per cent of the entire country's population and industry is concentrated in the greater Amman region.

The urgency of the pollution problem is emphasised by the fact that Amman's water resources are becoming more limited.

Tomorrow: Pollution and the King Talal Dam.

21 Near East countries discuss land, water use

By Lee S. Tesdell Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, May 14 -- The Sixth Session of the Regional Commission on Land and Water Use in the Near East met for the second day at the University of Jordan today.

The conference, which is being attended by representatives from 21 countries, began on May 12, under the sponsorship of the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO).

Recommendations from the FAO Rainfed Agriculture seminar held here last week will be put before the participants.

On Saturday the conference heard opening addresses and elected its officers. Yesterday the participants heard papers ranging from land drainage in Egypt and soil and water management in Cyprus to FAO programmes in water resources and fertiliser use. On Monday the participants will visit the Jordan Valley irrigation projects.

plans to adopt current recommendations and set a date for the next meeting.

The Commission for Land and Water Use was established in 1967 with a mandate to "organise technical consultation in the field of developing land and water resources of the region and their use as well as to promote exchange of information between members of the Commission." Former

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by Mr. Jum'a said that there are no major FAO projects in Jordan but there are several short-term projects. There is a \$40,000 project for the development of rainfed agriculture in the Irbid region and a \$33,000 agricultural extension project utilising a mobile film unit for the dissemination of agricultural information to farmers in Jordan. Both projects are funded by Jordan and administered by the Technical Cooperative Prog-

ramme of the FAO. In addition there are two larger projects; which are part of the Near East Cooperative Programme the first, financed by Saudi Arabia is a \$883,000 wheat development and production project; the second is a \$368,000 building construction project for cooperative societies funded iointly by Kuwait and Iraq.

Mr. Gayeb, the information On Tuesday the conference officer for Mr. Jum'a's office in Cairo, told the Jordan Times that the conference is meant mainly as a "forum for exchanging ideas."

Commenting on the way in which the FAO plans its development programmes, he said: "We take into account the sociocultural side." Social scientists are always included in FAO programme planning teams.

It has been pointed out that development projects, whether in agriculture or industry, must take

Ir. Salah Jum'a, was appointed into account not only the technical FAO Assistant Director General aspects but the way in which peoand regional representative for ple will interact with the scheme. A number of projects have failed A prepared statement released around the world due to this over-

As to coordinating programmes among the various development agencies which operate in the Third World, Mr. Gayeb said that, we have periodical meetings

among agencies." "It is very easy to coordinate," he continued. FAO's funding comes from the United Nations Development Programme, government development agencies or from host countries, in which case the project is simply administered by

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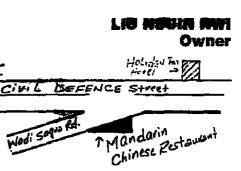
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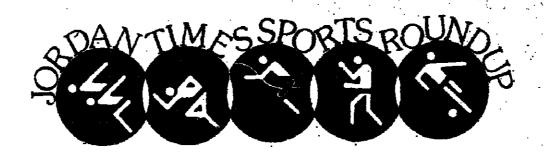
Scheckter wins Belgian Grand Prix

ZOLDER, Belgium, May 14 (R)-South African Jody Scheckter recorded his first Formula One victory of the season in the Belgian Grand Prix motor race here yesterday. The hard-fought race had four leaders -- Ligier team mates Patrick Depailler and Jacques Laffite of France, Australian Alan Jones, then Ferrari team leader Scheckter over the closing laps. The South African now shares the lead in the Drivers' Championship with Laffite on 24 points and the Ferrari-Ligier team battle stands all square at three wins apiece after six rounds. Laffite, the winner of both South American races, had a bad start but for a time battled for supremacy with early pacesetter Depailler, the victor in Spain two weeks ago.

Scheckter said his car performed well and his only problem involved the brakes towards the finish. Depailler led for the first 24 laps but Jones, driving a Williams, shot past him only to retire when an electrical failure put his fuel pump out of action on lap 40. Depailler again found himself in front but spectacularly crashed off the track six laps later. Laffite, who started in pole position, was next to set the pace, but on the 54th lap Scheckter moved ahead and soon the Ligier driver had no chance of catching him. Scheckter finished over 15 seconds ahead of second placed Laffite. Gilles Villeneuve of Canada, the winner of the South African and Long Beach races, looked like finishing third in his Ferrari but had mechanical problems just before the finish and was classed seventh. Didier Pironi of France in a tyrrell had fought long and hard with Villeneuve and took third place.

World Women's Basketball Championship

SEOUL, May 14 (AP)--Carol Blazejowski and Nancy Lieberman combined for 38 points as the United States won its first World Women's Basketball Championship since 1957 by defeating unbeaten Canada 77-61 yesterday in the final game. The American girls entered the final day with a 4-1 won-lost record while the Canadians had won all five of their previous games and needed only to hold the Americans' winning margin down to 12 points to clinch the championship. The U.S. team had lost to host South Korea by 12 points in the opening game of the seven-team final round, and Canada had defeated the Koreans by 13 points. Kris Kirchner and Canada's Silvia Sweeney, who was voted the tournament's most valuable player, fought for rebounds, while Blazejowski helped pile up the lead with sharp shooting. With only 20 seconds left to play, the ball was passed to Sweeney. The score was



75-61, and she could have cut the margin to 12 points, giving the championship to her Canadian team. The usually sharp-shooting collegian missed the basket, and the American team grabbed the rebound. The Americans had 37 rebounds against Canada's 24, and 12 interceptions against four for Canada. Canada also made 18 errors against America's seven.

Austin wins Italian tennis tourney

ROME, May 14 (R)-American teenager Tracy Austin beat unseeded Sylvia Hanika of West Germany 6-4, 1-6, 6-3 to win the Italian Women's Tennis Championship yesterday in a scrappy final littered with errors. Austin, 16, the third seed and ranked fourth in the world, showed marginally more consistency to capture the first leg of the European women's circuit. Her West German opponent, a powerful 19-year-old, rarely displayed the form that took her past Australia's Evonne Goolagong in the semi-final. Austin, who Saturday ended compatriot Chris Evert's six-year unbeaten run on clay, survived a 6-1 rout in the second set when she failed to hold any of her four services. She found length and accuracy in the final set breaking Hanika's service to

Yugoslavs scale Everest by new route

KATMANDU, May 14 (R)-Two Yugoslavs yesterday became the first men to reach the top of Mount Everest by using the west ridge all the way. Jernej Zaplotnik and Andrej Stremfelj reached the world's highest point after taking more than eight hours to climb the last 148 metres from Camp Six, the Nepalese Tourism Ministry announced. Zaplotnik and Stremfelj were the third team

from the expedition to attempt the 8,848 metre summit. Two earlier assaults failed. A fourth party will try today. Zaplotnik is now one of five men to have climbed at least three 8,000 metre peaks. The others are Reinhold Messner of Italy, Austrians Kurt Diemberger and Robert Schauer and Frenchman Yannick Seigneur. Another European mountaineering team in Nepal reported success yesterday. An Austrian expedition to mount lhotse, the world's fourth highest peak, put two men on the summit, the ministry said. Bruno Kausbruckner and Iwan Exnar reached the top of the 8,501 metre mountain four days ago.

English Sunday Cricket League

LONDON May 14 (R)-West Indian test opener Gordon Greenidge hit a sparkling 75 off 97 balls to lift title-holders Hampshire to a seven-wicket victory over Essex with 11 balls to space in the English Sunday Cricket League at Southampton yesterday. After Essex made 172 for six off their 40 overs, Hampshire rattled up 173 for three with Greenidge and David Turner (60) putting on 135 for the second wicket. Sussex won even more emphatically, beating Glamorgan by nine wickets at Swansea. Pakistani Javed Miandad scored 77 off 85 balls as Sussex reached 141 for one off 33.3 overs in reply to Glamorgan's all out total of 139. The closest finish was at Taunton where Somerset pipped Warwickshire by four runs. Viv Richards, Somerser's West Indian star, had a six and eight fours in a splendid innings of 80 which propelled his side to 184 for eight. Former England test opener Dennis Amiss made a good 55 but Warwickshire were all out for 180 off the third ball of the final over.

S. African sets record with snakes

JOHANNESBURG, May 14 (R)—South African Peter Snyman set a death-defying record yesterday by staying more than 36 days alone in a cage with two dozen deadly snakes. Surrounded by mambas, cobras and puff adders, he fold exporters by telephone he had not yet decided how many slays he would add to the old record set four years ago by a fellow countryman. Trevor Kruger. "I am going to play it by ear and it will all depend on how the snakes and I get on together, the bearded 25 year old Mr. Snyman said from his flass and brick cage, in a snake park north-west of Johannesburg. My initial goal was 40 days, but if the snakes behave themselves I might make it 50 days. But it is comforting feeling now that I have broken the record to know I could leave right away if I wanted to," he said. Mr. Snyman, a cabinetmaker, had a narrow escape on his way to breaking the record when one of the mambas was startled by two children running past the cage. The snake strock at his pillow, close to where he was sitting, leaving two blobs of venoin. Several of the snakes have been less lucky. Some of them have been eaten by the other snakes and have had to be a snakes and the the other snakes and have had to be replaced," said the park's owner, Mr. Jack Seale. "The puff adders have been changed eight times." Under the rules of the second attempt, Mr. Sayman is snakes, of whom six must be mambas. He is allowed to spend no more than 30 minutes out of the case and the more than 30 minutes out of the cage each day, and eats his meals age inside — sometimes very slowly if the capter are took him two and a half hours.

Cardin Amateur Boxing Tournament

HAVANA, May 14 (R)-Teofilo Stevenson, Cuba's world and Olympic champion, outpointed his compatriot and arch rival Angel Milian in the heavyweight final at the Cardin Internationa. Amateur Boxing Tournament here over the weekend it was crucial victory for Stevenson, whose supremacy has been threatened by the model of the supremacy has been a suprem threatened by the rapidly improving Milian Stevenson's greaters skill and experience carried him to a 4-1 majority verdict after in furious battle in which he was repeatedly forced onto the ropes is Milian. Stevenson, Olympic champion in 1972 and 1976, hopes in defend his title in Moscow next year.

Student claims chess marathon record

LUCERNE, Switzerland, May 14 (R)—Swiss mathematics stn. ... dent Werner Hug, 27, yesterday claimed a world record for note, 207 stop simultaneous chess. He won 385 games, drew 126 and lost 45 1 Dec. 20 in matches against 560 players in 25 hours this weekend and shopping centre near this central Swiss city. This beat the previous world record of 550 games set by Czechoslovak Vlastimil Horizania 21 ac Reykjavik in 1977, the organisers said. Hug, a former wos junior chess champion, walked over 30 kilometres and average five special five spec five seconds for each move during the contest, which was watched hy about 18,000 spectators.

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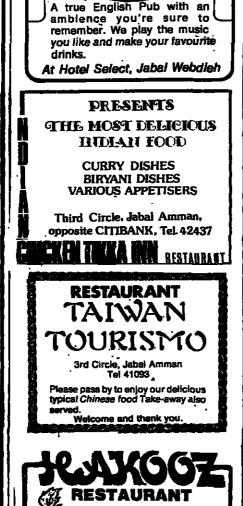
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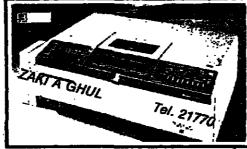
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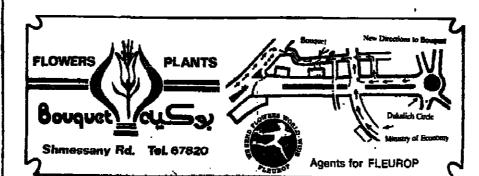




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hearts, declarer led the ace and was about to claim on a crossruff when he received a rude shock - West ruffed and returned a trump, and now declarer could come to no more than eleven tricks. Try

Declarer took the correct line if he had been in a grand slam. But playing in a small slam he could have ensured his contract with a simple safety play that is not easy to spot even looking at all four hands. After discarding a beart from dummy and cashing the king, declarer should continue with a low beart, conceding a trick in the suit to the opponents.

True, that gives away a trick declarer could make if the hearts were 4-2, but he should be warned by the bidding that hearts might be 5-1. Even if East wins the heart and returns a trump, declarer can rulf his remaining heart and club loser in dummy, then get back to his hand to draw the last trump and score the king of hearts as the twelfth trick.

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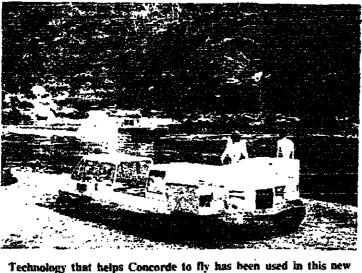
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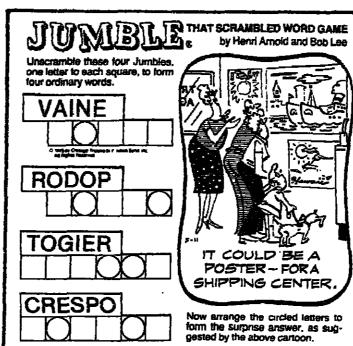
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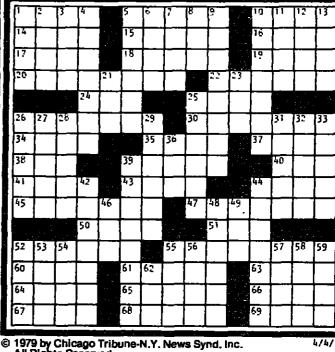
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World News

Japan, USSR begin high-level talks

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TOKYO, May 14 (R)-Japan and the Soviet Union today openi high-level talks in Tokyo in an effort to improve strained relation between the two countries. The two countries agreed in January is year to hold regular consultations and the first meeting w scheduled for last August, but it was put off after Japan signed peace treaty with China which Moscow termed and Soviet. The relations have however remained cool since 1976 when a Soul military pilot defected to Japan with his then top secret MiG-Foxbat fighter aircraft. The Soviet Union is represented at the today meeting here by Vice-Foreign Minister Nicolai Firyubin in Japan by Deputy Foreign Minister Masuo Takashima. There a expected to discuss a wide range of international and bilateral six 1000 jects, including Japanese aid to help tap the natural resources Siberia and Japan's demand that the Russians hand over four islan off Hokkaido which the Soviet Union occupied in the last days, World War Two.

Brezhnev schedules visit to Hungary

MOSCOW, May 14 (R)-Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev E make a three-day visit to Budapest at the end of this month fors with Hungarian Communist Party leader Janos Kadas w informed sources said today. The 72-year-old Mr. Brezhnev, wh health has been the subject of considerable speculation in recmonths, will make the return journey from Moscow only three wer before he is due to meet U.S. President Jimmy Carter in Vienna. scheduling of the visit so close to the summit appeared to indic that the Kremlin chief's doctors were not unduly concerned ab him, although the sources said he would have a light programm Budapest. In the next few days, Mr. Brezhney is expected in a United Nations Secretary-General Kurr Waldheim, who arrive Moscow tomorrow at the end of an Asian tour, and will also h talks with President Tito of Yugoslavia.

PARIS, May 14 (R)-France's Communist Party ended its up with voting for the party leadership and Mr. Marchais wa women instead of 23, were made public for the first time.

Zambian president lifts month-old curfew

LUSAKA, May 14 (R)-Zambian President Kenneth Kaunda vigilant and to go out after dark as little as possible, the pres indicated that further Rhodesian attacks cannot be mied out curiew took effect on April 16, three days after Rhodesian t.

ROME, May 14 (AP) - Guerrillas bombed offices of politic ties and a jail in a wave of overnight attacks in Rome three. before national elections, police said today. No injuries reported but the powerful blast in front of the Regina Coeli pr Trastevere knocked out telephone service, water and electrithe area. Responsibility for the blast was claimed by the "Popular Revolutionary Movement," one of several group claimed responsibility for the bombing of Rome's Michela designed city hall last month. Police said bombers also struck offices of Italy's dominant Christian Democrat Party and moderate Social Democrats and Republicans. Damage was in the attack on Regina Coeli, police said the guerrillas planted sives and a timer in a car and left it parked at the entrained prison. In Milan, Italy's financial capital, guerrillas dynamic

MOSCOW, May 14 (AP) - Soviet cosmonauts Vladimir L and Valery Ryumin who have been orbiting the earth for near months, are growing their own spring onions in a small he aboard the Salyut 6 space station, Tass reported today. The gardeners. The two cosmonauts are continuing a programme the effects of weightlessness and other space flight factors of Previous cosmonauts have grown mushrooms aboard Salyti agency said. Mr. Lyakhov and Mr. Ryumin have trarvested the the go ahead, Tass said. The two also grow fennel, parsley and

Whithy is an English coastal resort and ancient seaport in North Yorkshire, situated at the mouth of the River Esk, where a minor break occurs in a continuous line of limestone cliffs. Medieval Whitby developed as a harbour but it was not until the 17th century that the town's real growth began, due to the mining of alum in the surrounding area. During the 18th and early 19th centuries Whithy was mainly dependent on shipbuilding and the fish-

ing industry, including whaling. Captain James Cook, the renowned navigator and explorer, was apprenticed to a Whitby shipbuilder and set sail on three of this voyages from the harbour shown in this picture. Whithy is now mainly a holiday resort, due to its varied and picturesque architecture and its proximity to both sea and moorland. (COI photo)

MANILA, May 14 (R)--The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) today warned that the world could face serious food shortages similar to those five years ago when millions starved to death unless a new grains pact was reached soon.

The warning came from FAO development and co-operation Director General Eduard Saouma, who called for support for a five-point action programme to reopen and settle grain agreement negotiations which stalled earlier this year.

Mr. Saouma told delegates to the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) that the gap between farm production and requirements was widening, especially in Africa, and the shortfall had to be offset by higher food imports.

Calling for more help to increase agricultural production in the developing world and to provide more markets for their produce, he noted that non-oil developing countries spent \$10 billion in 1976 alone on commercial food imports, or one third of their current account deficit.

This was the equivalent of more than 80 per cent of the official development aid they received that year.

Equally worrying, the targets for world food security--buffer stocks to meet the dangers of crop failure--were not being met, he

"It was expected that the objective of food reserves could best be achieved through a new international grains arrangement. Early this year, the U.N. grains negotiating conference failed to agree and adjourned indefinitely.

'This meant that a new global food shortage would find the international community little better prepared today than when the last crisis broke in 1973-74," Mr. Saouma added.

To reduce the serious immediate dangers, he was now proposing a five-point action plan in which all countries must establish national food reserves and stocks immediately and draw up guidelines for their use.

The plan included provisions to assist developing countries to meet their growing food import and emergency needs.

It also suggested ways threatened countries could strengthen their own food security programmes both through national

FAO warns of serious

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among developing countries. Mr. Saouma reminded delegates that the lasting and longterm solutions to end the food shortages was for developing. countries themselves to change their development priorities and for both they and donor countries to step up sharply investment in farming development.

World Food Council President Arturo Tanco, who has endorsed the action plan, has already called on UNCTAD delegates to back speedy reopened negotiations for a new wheat agreement -- a vital component of any general grains agreement -- saying it could mean the difference between life and death for millions of people.

Meanwhile, The European Economic Community (EEC) and the United States came under strong criticism here today for not participating in the international sugar agreement. The Europeans were especially blamed for contributing to the depressed price.

The attacks were contained in a paper circulated by the International Sugar Organisation (ISO) and in an address by Cuban Foreign Trade Minister Marcelo

Africa, May 14 (AP)--South

ishment of an "Interim gov-ernment" for the territory of

The creation of the new gov-

ernment, which comes in defiance

of Western plans for United

Nations' supervised elections in

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However, officials of the exist-

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of sugar, both in stocks and production, over demand and the resultant low price, which has been with us since the present

> Beyond this was the problem caused by the non-participation of the United States, the largest importing member, and more important the non-participation of the EEC, largest exporter to the free market, it said.

The ISO said the agreement

reached 18 months ago had met

serious difficulties and was not yet

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stable, fair prices, though all exporting countries which had

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"The current difficulties stem

objectives.

The paper praised the United States for enforcing a limitation on its sugar imports as a sign of good faith, but said: "The Community has exhibited no equivalent restraint and increased a high level of exports based on heavy subsidisation."

"We hope that talks will bring about a change in this situation, preferably through early Community accession to the agreement on mutual acceptance terms," the

Circulation of the paper followed a rejection last week by an EEC spokesman, Mr. Claude Cheysson, of early Community

S. Africa orders establishment of

'interim government' for Namibia

eral declaration of independence.

Justice M.T. Steyn, adminis-

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African-administered territory,

said the interim government will

establishment of the new gov-

ernment in a proclamation in a

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today. The proclamation said the

new government will be called the

South-West Africa-Namibian

National Assembly. The territory

is officially called South-West

all 50 members of the territorial

assembly elected last December,

The new assembly will include

African-Namibia.

Mr. Steyn announced the

assume its duties May 21.

Archbishop calls for action to relieve 'inhuman situation' in El Salvador occupation," he said.

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador. May 14 (AP)--Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero said yesterday the French and Venezuelan Governments, whose embassies here are occupied by revolutionaries, must use "all diplomatic channels to bring a less inhuman situation to El Salvador."

The archbishop, an outspoken critic of the government of President Carlos Humberto Romero,

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to repeal or amend any law or act

of the South African parliament

The exceptions include any

legislation affecting the inter-

national status of the territory, or

South Africa has administered

this mineral-rich territory, about

twice the size of California but

with a population of less than one

million, under a League of

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World War I.

the National Assembly itself.

But Mr. Steyn said the body will

current assembly members.

which affects the territory.

urged the government to meet the revolutionary bloc's demands for the release of three imprisoned leaders and five other political prisoners. He said the church could not condone the occupations of the embassies and the Catholic cathedral, but the understood the necessity of the actions.

France's special emissary, Mr. Philip Cuvillier, said his government had met all the demands of the bloc, presented when 16 militants seized its embassy a week ago last Friday and took hostage six persons including Ambassador Michel Dondenne. He said his government "absolutely refused" to negotiate new demands for the release of five more political prisoners by the El Salvador Government.

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Mr. Cuvillier said he had interceded personally with the government to gain freedom for two bloc leaders released last week. He added the El Salvador Government had guaranteed the safety of the militants by offering safe conduct out of the country.

Venezuela's special emissary, Mr. Regulo Velasco, arrived yesterday to help negotiate the release of eight hostages, including Ambassador Santiago ochoa. , held since last Friday. Mr. Velasco said in an interview, "The situation could be resolved soon."

But he refused to confirm or deny whether the ten militants in the embassy had been offered political asylum in Venezuela. He said he couldn't say anything, but he had instructions from President Herrera Campins' to resolve the situation as "soon as possible."

Waldheim: Thailand alone can't solve problem of Kampuchean refugees

BANGKOK, May 14 (R)--U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim visited Kampuchean refugees in eastern Thailand ves-

Tens of thousands of Kampucheans have fled recently to escape fresh fighting in the northwest of their country.

Just back from the horder area. Mr. Waldheim said he had been told there were more than 100.000 potential refugees on both sides of the frontier.

"We must organise international help because this problem cannot be settled by Thailand alone. We must find them permanent asylum," he told repor-

He said he hoped Thailand would grant temporary refuge to fleeing Kampucheans, but the basic problem was how to stop the influx.

Mr. Waldheim, on the last stage of a ten-nation Asian tour, visited two camps in Aranyaprathet. One is for so-called old refugees-those who fled before last January when a new Vietnamese-led administration ousted the pro-Peking government of Prime Minister Pol Pot from Phnom Penh,

This camp houses over 7,300 refugees, many of whom have terday and, visibly moved been in Thailand since 1975 when described their fate as a great the communists took over Kam-

> The second camp he visited houses about 4,000 new arrivals, many of whom have fled since the Vietnamese-led forces of the Phnom Penh administration launched a drive last month to quell resistance by Khmer Rouge loyal to Pol Pot in the northwest.

Thailand was refused entry to many Kampucheans and denied refugee status to others. Some are admitted and then sent back into areas regarded as safe for re-

Mr. Waldheim said the future of the 4,000 in the second camp was undecided and he wished to discuss them with Thai leaders.

Thai officials say they simply cannot afford to take in all the Kampucheans who want to cross into this country. Thailand already houses about 150,000 refugees who fled Laos, Vietnam and Kampuchea after the 1975 com-

French communists widen rift with socialists

congress yesterday after widening the rift with its former sociallies making less probable any fresh pact with them in the i presidential elections. The socialist-communist alliance collabefore the general elections last year. During the five-day cong Communist leader Georges Marchais accused Socialist Party le: Francois Mitterrand of using left-wing thetoric to disguise whar really right-wing policies. His jibe prompted senior socialist to Pierre Beregovoy to comment in a radio interview that an a renewal of the electoral pact was not possible. Sestenday was t elected. Votes for the Central Committee, which now include

terday lifted the ten-hour curiew imposed almost four week after a Rhodesian commando raid on guerrilla leaner Ji Nkomo's house in Lusaka. But in calling on Zambians in re drove into Lusaka and demolished Mr. Nitomo's house in liberation movement's office buildings in a pre-dawn raid the with virtually no resistance from Zambian troops in a nearby racks. The curfew applied to virtually every town in the co except in the remote north-east. A statement said Dr. Kausti now satisfied that the purpose of the carlew had been ful Security forces have shot dead three curiew breakers, wo several others and detained hundreds of people for not s

Italy: Guerrillas strike with wave of attacl

offices of an advertising agency and damaged a truck used to port copies of the Communist Party newspaper Unita.

Soviet cosmonauts tend garden in space-

news agency said the unmanned Progress 6 supply craft the launched yesterday is carrying an about-to-bloom tulip to the crop of onions and eaten them after biologists at ground contain-Gardening serves as a psychological release from the rigors; Gardening serves as a psychological flight and research, Tass said.

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China initials trade agreement with U.S.

CANTON, May 14 (R)--United States Commerce Secretary Juanita Kreps said today that China had initialled the U.S.-China trade agreement and that she would initial the agreement on behalf of the · U.S. this evening. Mrs. Kreps told newsmen: "Today we take a major step together in resuming the unimpaired exchange of goods and services -- and therefore the exchange of ideas, experiences and goodwill." The commerce secretary said the agreement would establish a framework for orderly trade and business and greatly increase business contacts between the two countries. The agreement was initialled by Foreign Trade Minister Li Qiang at a brief ceremony in the foreign Trade Ministry attended by negotiators from both sides and American diplomats. American sources said four copies of the agreement -- tow in English and two in Chinese -- would be flown to Canton for Mrs. Kreps to initial for the U.S. Mr. Li had told the Americans last week that the pact was a complicated one for China to sign because it had to meet the requirments of the 1974 U.S. Trade Act. These include such matters as patents, trademarks and copy-

Japan promises all possible aid to Turkey .

TOKYO, May 14 (R)--Foreign Minister Sunao Sonoda today pledged as much Japanese aid as possible to Turkey in view of its political and strategic importance, the Foreign Ministry said. The pledge was made to Mr. Leisler Kiep, special envoy of West German Chancelleor Helmut Schmidt, who arrived yesterday for a three-day visit to ask for Japanese cooperation in assisting Turkey's economic reconstruction, the ministry reported. No specific sums were mentioned during the talks, the West German Embassy said. Mr. Kiep, minister of finance of the state of Lower Saxony, is also scheduled to meet Prime Minister masayoshi Ohira and Finance Minister Ippei Kaneko. West Germany has serving as coordinator since the leaders of West Germany, the United States, France and Britain decided at their meeting in Guadeloupe last January to extend emergency aid to ·Turkey. The financial daily Nihon Keizai Shimbun said yesterday the four countries had decided to extend \$500 million in aid of \$90 ... million would be met by Japan. The ministry said Turkish Foreign Minister Gunduz Okcun would ask for Japanese aid when he arrives .. on a visit tomorrow. Turkey has been suffering from inflation and mass unemployment and its external debts amounted to \$12 billion at the end of last year, the ministry said.

Norway pledges \$22m. to new commodity fund:

MANILA, May 14 (R)-Norway today made the biggest pledge so far-\$22 million-to a new fund to fielp Third World nations develop their commodity industries. During the first week of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development last week, the Third World countries were disappointed hat none of the major industrialised powers had pledged specific amounts to the fund, which is to be financed by voluntary contributions. The only countries to make specific pledges were Belgium with \$3 million, Austria \$2 million, Sweden \$6 million and Finland \$1 million. The common commodity fund was agreed in principle by UNCTAD members in Geneva in March. It has two so-called "windows," the first, of \$400 million to set up buffer stocks of commodițies to help stabilise prices and protect Third World economies from wide fluctuations, will be

financed by fixed assessments to U.N. members. The second "window," which it is hoped will start with a capital of \$350 million will be financed voluntarily and will be used for research and development and improved marketing in commodities.

Senator Baker warns U.S. oil producers

WASHINGTON May 14 (R)-Senate Minority Leader Howard Baker warned the United States' oil producers yesterday that they could be headed for nationalisation if they do not respond responsibly to the current energy shortages. "They are headed for disaster, and I don't think they realise it," Senator Baker, a probable republican presidential contender, told a television interviewer. Senator Baker said present oil company profits were not justifiable, and that "this country could turn on them (oil producers) and devour them" if they did not end what he called their shortsighted approach to energy production and profits. The United States could produce energy at less cost than it is paying Arab oil producers, he said, and added that the current situation was a clear case in which private management should take account of the public well-being.

Near-disaster haunts future of nuclear powe By David Lascelles NEW YORK: The valve that jammed on March 28 at the Three

Mile Island nuclear plant in. Pennsylvania did more trigger the gravest nuclear accident the U.S. Disaster had been averted. But has suffered so far; it also set off a new debate in America and abroad about the wisdom of harnessing the immense but still little understood power of the atom. For the U.S., the crisis became

little short of a national drama, with massive media coverage. Due to mechanical and human

error, one of the two reactors at the plant "boiled over" and spewed radioactive gases into the atmosphere. Thousands of women and children were evacuated from the area, and engineers worked frantically to bring the reactor under control. But their job was complicated by big hydrogen bubble trapped inside the reactor under great pressure which threatened to force cooling water away from the uranium fuel rods, and reduce the whole reactor to a pool of molten, radioactive metal. Fortunately, the bubble sub-

sided. But it was not until two weeks after the accident that the emergency was officially called off and not for more than three weeks that the temperature was brought down to manageable levels.

the real damage wrought by Three Mile Island was less to the Pennsy-Ivania countryside (which only took a few X-ray doses worth of radiation) than to the future of nuclear power in the U.S., once described as the only answer to the country's mounting energy prob-

For energy policymakers in Washington, headed by Energy Secretary Dr. James Schlesinger, the accident could hardly have come at a worse time.

Since the early 1970s, the U.S. has been viewing with alarm its growing dependence on oil imports, which last year came to account for nearly half of its total consumption. The solution was to develop alternative energy supplies, primarily natural gas, coal and nuclear power. All have their drawbacks: natural gas supplies are limited, coal is dirty and A huge bubble of hydrogen trapped inside the Three Mile Island nuclear reactor which "boiled over" could have reduced the whole reactor to a pool of molten, radioactive metal. The bubble subsided but for the nuclear industry the fallout is still coming down.

dangerous to mine, and nuclear power's safety is constantly under question.

But Dr. Schlesinger, long an advocate of nuclear power. believed that the atom was clean and plentiful enough to become the major new source of electricity extending into the next centuary. At the moment the country's 70 nuclear power stations generate about 13 per cent of the country's electricity. Experts believe that this figure could be raised to 50 per cent in the next 25 years.

Dr. Schlesinger took advantage

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of the oil shortage caused by the Iranian crisis to press even harder for nuclear power. He had reason to be optimistic. President Carter, never a great fan of nuclear power, was showing growing interest, and Congress was cooking up legislation to smooth the way. The environmentalist lobby, long the atom's biggest foe, also appeared to be weakening as public awareness of the country's energy prob-

But then came Three Mile Island. The anti-nuclear lobby sprang back with renewed died of a civil nuclear relater.

strength, the mood in Congress accident. turned hostile, and fresh suspicions began to creep across the

Two other events shaped the popular mood: a hit movie about a near accident at a nuclear power plant called The China Syndrome starring Jane Fonda had just been. released, and secret reports about the effects of fallout from the H Bomb tests in the 1950s in Nevada: were finally published, reviving fears about the health hazards of radiation.

There was foreign reaction too. in Europe and Japan where ambitious nuclear power projects are in hand. Many countries sent teams of experts to see for themselves what had happened at Three Mile Island.

In an attempt to forestall damage to their cause, advocates of nuclear power in the U.S. have done their best to counter all the bad publicity. They point out, for example, that even though safeguards failed, there was no catas trophe. And in more than 20 years of U.S. nuclear power no one has

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